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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. \$1.114

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 30, 2008 and marked final, a reply to which is due July 30, 2008, please amend the above-identified application to advance prosecution on the merits with a filing for a request for examination (RCE), as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this submission. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this submission.